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the co onel a-ked, with that twang in his voice which every soul from the

Several persons have written to Commissioner Evan asking that their pen- to Laufer, in a manner to make stout sions be carceled, rather than have the r names publi-hed.

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I tememb r wel the day we all met portion of a tig batch of recruits who fare. I wondered if we would get arrived on the previous day. Recruits scouting order, just as my next yea's are sent out without a signment leave of absence became due; if there

Inco the colonel, a suff old West what she said—she was lau thing so I Pointer, ir m the general list a signed could not make out and the time; if the to each to op the number required to mail would bring me the check which fill up the gaps the last compaign had my kind old dad sometimes sent. fill up the gaps the last compaign it defect. We were all standing around the porch as Church, our adjutant, called off the names of the men for each troop, A. B. C. D.

Meantime the day was done and another was begun. In the semidarkness of morning stable- I saw Linfer lying on his straw in the stall. I be-

As each man's name was called he form a separate squad when the list was completed When my troop, J, was reached, I naturally had a general interest in what manner of men width. interest in what manner of men might stables with the colonel. He had not been in my stables since he had orso absorbed as I would have been if I dered Laufer tied up. We slowly was receiving 20 horses instead of re-

However, I was short of good timber just then and was struck by the appearance of the man who stepped out as Church called "George Laufer," His crisp, distinct "Here" in reply to his side in the sam name made me think that it was his the last stall. own and a name he was proud of. 'The vast majority of en i-ted men's names in the army, like those in the penten-tiary, are ficticious and run from Chris-There is a pretry tradition about the lily of France. Three black toads formed the curious d vice in the sheld of King Clovis. But one night, as an soler, I ever knew.

tian Scripture to George Washington, with only one rule seeming to govern their selection—the better the name the worst soldier, drunk or the worse the man. Christian Scripture to George Washington, with only one rule seeming to govern their selection—the better the name the was aparently oblivious of our pressure and his lamily retired at the usual hour. They were early awakened by the squealing of the pigs in the pen, and Marvin got up and rushed out to see what was the matter.

As he approached the pen he observed the pe

aged hermit set musing in his lonely cell, the cappeared a rangel before h m a well bred man about him, was of an bearing as ield of wondrous beauty, average heighth, was a light strong On its azu e front three golden lilies shoue ike radiant stars. This shield the angel bade the heimit delver to shone ike radiant stars. This shield the angel bade the heimit deliver to Queen Clothi o. He eving the celestial sield. Clothildo gave it to the king, whose arms the ceforth were which was now clear and healthy.

Shone ike radiant stars. This shield young, with brown eyes and hair, small placed both hands on the rail of his prepared for such an encounter, and as dation had planted both feet with electric vigor fairly in the old man's the brutes sprang at his breast, he could do nothing but knock them off with his fists, which he did success-

which was now clear and healthy.

The Thistle of Sco land. Once upon a time, many hundred yea s ago, the Danes n ade war upon the Scots, and invaded their county. One dark night, as they were marching upon an encampment of sleeping Scots, one of their cumb r trod upon a this le. The their rumb r trod upon a this le. The The pain was so adden and intense that the man gave a loud cry This told me all that it was reasonable I awakened the slumbering Scols, who should know and as promptly showed sprang to arms and defeated ther his manhood when any irrelevant ques-

I was satisfied that he had told the The Shamrock of Ireland. The adoptruth and that I had luckily picked up St. Patrick, the great apostle of E in, was preaching to the Colts and laying the f undation for the spread of Chris

That afternoon I was right glad to wa'k down with the "old man," as we called our colone'. He was a harsh one and swift in his punishments, yet not slow in his rewards—just, but cold bloo 'ed and almost unmerciful, a man in many ways cordially bated by us all, jet in many more ways idolized by every one who knew him. We turned into many troop stables, and to my utter astonishment I found my stable

Dressed now in his white stable frock and trousers, he looke i a typical cavalryman, but there was that in his face-not defiance, rather determination-planly showing that he had mid-his decision.

"What's the matter, Sergeant Carswell!" asked the colonel. "Recruit Laufer refused to groom

his horse, sir," reported Carswell, with

kid bugler to the lieutenant-colonel knew meant mischief. Then, turning nerves quiver, he asked; "Why won't you groom you horse?"

Because I am no groom, sir, and because such was not explained to me as part of my duties when I enlisted," said Laufer, sa uting, but steady as a

"The-you say," roared the old man, now m d beyond all hope of calming. "Sergeant! Sergeant Carswell! S.r. geant!" he yelled.
"Y.s, ir," sa d the sergean', who

had st pped as de to lok after the other recruits. "Sergeant Carswell, have the sad-dler make a halter for this man, tie him up in this vacant stall when it's on

him, feed him in the trough, lead him out to water and bed him with straw until further orders." "Yes, sir," Carswell seluted and led my good timber away to obey that order, from which there was no appeal "Rather a bad beginning from a man I had picked from the batch te make

a corporal," I smilingly said when we were alone. "Oh, you can't tell," the colonel re-plied, and then we talked about the Wint saddle and the new carbine we were trying and other post subjects un-til he left my stables.

Knowing that his order would to obeyed, I paid no atte tion to it and really orgot a l about it among the at the adju ant's office to race ve our details of life m re affecting my welexcept to the regiment in general, was really any chance to get back that except to the Tenth cavalry,"

half month's pay I had dropped n the little game last night; of she meant

lieve I did wonder if he was cold, but

site the one the new horse was inasking questions here and there of the wem, the "non coms' and the farrier and looking over the horses. Then he is alive to-day. crossing over we wandered up the other side in the same way till we came to

"Sergeant how is your new horse coming along?" said the colonel as he pas ed into Laufer's stall, where the private was eating his supper which mountaineer and his family retired at

"Seems well groomed, serg-ut-uh-h-oh!" grunted the colonel as he fell all doubled up out of the stall.

Lightning was not quicker or more as on shing. That youngster had placed both hands on the rail of his

on his buck in a second, probably to beat the life out of him. I helped the colonel up, when he quickly called: "Sergeant, sergeant! D—n it man, don't you hear me? Get away from there and let that man alone!"

"But he kicked the colonel. sir," said Carswell, who started as if to repeat the operation on Laufer.

"Sergeant Carswell, go to your quirwhich saved the lucky Laufer from fur-ther trouble. As it was he had not about the yard. He failed to find anyters!" roared the colonel, an order which saved the lucky Laufer from furbeen punished at all, and I was utterly dumfounded when the colonel promptly or lered his release. Taking me to against the sids which inclosed an

books, where he had spent all his spare loss of blood, his clothing having taken care of by the recruits or by the stable guard when there were no retaken care of by the recruits or by the stable guard when there were no retaken care of by the recruits or by the stable guard when there were no retaken care of by the recruits or by the stable guard when there were no retaken care of by the recruits or by the time that first day before he was tied torn into shreds, and numerous deep cuts made in his breast and arms by and chevrous were issued to him. He was constantly kept on some special

Corporal George Laufer's warrant. In less than a year afterward I received "the complimen's of Colonel and Mrs." Gregory, who request the pleasure of taineer stock raiser. your company at dinner, Saturday, Marvin has been confined to his bed Aug. 16, 1878, at 5 o'clock p. m., to since his desperate encounter, and will meet Second Lieutenant (late sergeant)
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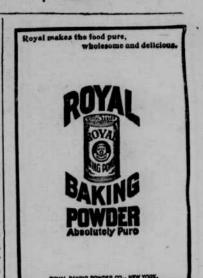


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PLUNK WENT THE WOLVES.

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Marvin lives on one of those is lated mountain farms common in Gilmer and Fanin counties, and his nearest neighbor is about six miles away. He bought two pigs, and put them in a

quite a commotion about it, and discerned what appeared to be a number of large black dogs in and around the pen. He rushed to the pen and was immediately attacked by half a dozen or more wolves. He was wholly un-

Sergeant Carswell had Laufer flat fully for several moments. Marvin's great presence of mind served him well at this junction. He knew it would not do to stoop down in order to search for a club or any other weapon, thus incurring the risk of being immediately overpowered by the whole pack, but while beating the wolves off with his fists he walked slowly backward, feeling the ground with his feet in the hope of stumbling

Ireland is placed to the century when St. Patrick, the great apostle of E in, was preaching to the Colts and laying the f undation for the spread of Chris timity in the "Green Itle." The story goes that I e was preaching one day on the hillside, and wi hing to illustrate from na ure the doctrine of the Trinity to his pagan hearts, he best down, plucked a piece of shamrock at his feet and held up its tripa ite leaf are the story of the colors. The colored frequently came around form near troop to another during the ceremony of stables. Morning and evening a cavalryman's horse is therefore, plucked a piece of shamrock at his feet and held up its tripa ite leaf are the colors. The colored frequently came around form the hillside, and within the colored frequently came around from one troop to another during the ceremony of stables. Morning and evening a cavalryman's horse is therefore, plucked a piece of shamrock at his feet and held up its tripa ite leaf are the colored from the colored frequently came around from one troop to another during the form one troop to another during the ceremony of stables. Morning and evening a cavalryman's horse is therefore, the full dismissed man should be a corporal?"

"Yes, sir."

"Yes, s

Upon examination of the well next duty which prevented his being at morning it was found to contain the After a time I need-da sergeant, and the first seen in the immediate locality at the colonel's suggestion sent in for five years. In other remote moun-

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The cold weather of January 1 and 2 did considerable temporary damage to vegetables in Florida, but none of a permanent character. Orange trees will, in some cases, lose their foliage, and where they were in exposed places in the northern border of the orange belt, will lose a part of their tender